

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) A pedal dustbin with two lids, comprising
a container body for holding waste therein;
a pedal ~~pivoted~~ pivotally connected to a lower portion of the container body;
a pivotal rod ~~pivoted~~ pivotally connected to a rear edge of an upper end of the container body;
a first lid securely connected to the pivotal rod for covering an upper opening of the container body, ~~with~~, the first lid having an opening ~~thereon~~ formed therein, and two parallel rails on two sides of the opening ~~thereof~~; the first lid having a post projecting downwards from a lower side ~~thereof~~ of the first lid;
a second lid linearly displaceably fitted to the rails of the first lid for covering the opening of the first lid ~~with~~;
an actuating rod pivoted to the post of the first lid at a portion between first and second ends ~~thereof~~ of the actuating rod;
a connecting element pivoted to the second lid and the first end of the actuating rod at two respective ends ~~thereof~~ of the connecting element such that

angular displacement of the actuating rod will cause linear movement of the second lid along the rails of the first lid;

a first elastic element positioned around the post ~~[[,]]~~ and having opposing ends respectively secured to the actuating rod and the first lid ~~at two ends thereof~~ for biasing the actuating rod back to an original position when an external force ~~disappears~~ that has been exerted on the actuating rod to angularly displace ~~same~~; the actuating rod has been removed, the second lid being over the opening of the first lid when the actuating rod is in the original position;

a holding tube securely fitted on the container body, ~~[[;]]~~ the holding tube having openings at upper and lower ends thereof;

a slide confined in, and movable along the holding tube;

a first covering body having one end securely connected to the container body and an opposing end connected to the lower end of the holding tube ~~at two ends thereof~~;

a first pulling rope passed through both the covering body and the lower opening of the holding tube, ~~[[;]]~~ the first pulling rope ~~being~~ having a lower end connected to the pedal ~~at a lower end~~, and an upper end connected to the slide ~~at an upper end~~ such that the first pulling rope will be pulled, and the slide moved downwards when the pedal is depressed;

a second covering body having a first end securely connected to the upper end of the holding tube, ~~the at a first end thereof~~; second covering body having a second end;

a second pulling rope passed through the second covering body and the upper opening of the holding tube, ~~[[;]]~~ the second pulling rope ~~being~~ having a lower end connected to the slide ~~at a lower end~~, and an upper end of the second pulling rope being connected to the second end of the actuating rod ~~at an upper end thereof~~ such that the second lid will be opened as soon as the pedal is depressed;

a third covering body having one end securely connected to the upper end of the holding tube ~~at a lower end~~, and an opposing end secured ~~on~~ to the container body;

a third pulling rope passed through the third covering body, the upper opening of the holding tube, and the slide, ~~[[;]]~~ the third pulling rope having a lower end securely connected to a stopping block under the slide and securely connected to a lower end thereof; ~~the third pulling rope being~~ an upper end connected to the pivotal rod ~~at an upper end thereof~~ such that the pivotal rod will be angularly displaced ~~[[;]]~~ and the first lid opened when the third pulling rope is pulled downwards, ~~[[;]]~~ the stopping block being disposed at a distance away from the slide when there is no external force being exerted ~~on~~ to depress the pedal, ~~to depress same, therefore the third pulling rope won't be pulled downwards, and the~~

first lid ~~won't~~ being opened ~~until~~ responsive to the pedal ~~is being~~ depressed to ~~such~~ a position ~~that~~ where the slide comes into contact with the stopping block for allowing both the stopping block and the third pulling rope to be pulled downwards together with ~~it~~ the slide.

2. (Currently amended) The pedal dustbin as claimed in claim 1, wherein an adjustment mechanism is fitted on the first lid, and the second pulling rope is passed through the adjustment mechanism after having been passed through the second covering body; the adjustment mechanism including:

a fixed part having a through hole for the second pulling rope to be passed therethrough, and an inner threaded portion, ~~[[;]]~~ the fixed part being securely connected to the second end of the second covering body; and

a stopping part having a through hole for the second pulling rope to be passed therethrough, and an outer threaded portion, ~~[[;]]~~ the stopping part being connected to the fixed part with the outer threaded portion ~~thereof~~ being connected to the inner threaded portion, and with the through holes being aligned with each other;

thereby the adjustment mechanism being adjustable in length ~~thereof~~ for ~~suiting~~ accommodating a length of the second ~~puling~~ pulling rope by means of angularly displacing the stopping part relative to the fixed part.

3. (Original) The pedal dustbin as claimed in claim 2, wherein a second elastic element is positioned between the stopping part of the adjustment mechanism and the upper end of the second pulling rope.

4. (Currently amended) The pedal dustbin as claimed in claim 1, wherein an adjustment mechanism is fitted on the container body, and the third pulling rope is passed through the adjustment mechanism after having been passed through the third covering body; the adjustment mechanism including:

a fixed part having a through hole for the third pulling rope to be passed therethrough, and an inner threaded portion, [[:]] the fixed part being securely connected to ~~either~~ the opposing end of the third covering body; and

a stopping part having a through hole for the third pulling rope to be passed therethrough, and an outer threaded portion, [[:]] the stopping part being connected to the fixed part with the outer threaded portion ~~thereof~~ being connected to the inner threaded portion, and with the through holes being aligned with each other;

thereby the adjustment mechanism being adjustable in length ~~thereof~~ for ~~suiting~~ accommodating a length of the third ~~puling~~ pulling rope by means of angularly displacing the stopping part relative to the fixed part.

5. (Currently amended) The pedal dustbin as claimed in claim 4, wherein a third elastic element ~~is~~ has two ends respectively engaged with the adjustment mechanism and the pivotal rod ~~at two ends thereof~~.

6. (Currently amended) The pedal dustbin as claimed in claim 1, wherein an elastic element ~~is~~ has two ends respectively connected to the pedal and the container body ~~at two ends thereof~~.